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New U.S. Patent Application

Title: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR PROVIDING NETWORK
COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN MACHINES

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 55 pages, including one Abstract page, 5 independent claims and 38 claims total.
2. Drawings- 15 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-15).
3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee					\$750	\$ 750.00
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This application will be completed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) upon receiving a Notice to File Missing Parts of Application.

Applicant claims the right to priority based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/483,915 filed July 2, 2003.

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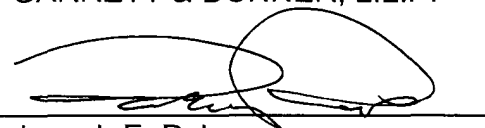
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Respectfully submitted,

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